## **Marine Fisheries**

## **Estuarine Gill Net Permit**

What Activities Require This Permit? An Estuarine Gill Net Permit is required for holders of a Standard Commercial Fishing License (SCFL), or Recreational Commercial Gear License (RCGL) who deploy anchored gill nets in Internal Coastal Waters. The following types of gill nets are exempt: run around, strike, drop or drift gill nets. These exempted gill nets must meet the description found on the division's website (http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/proclamations).

**What Is The Purpose of This Permit?** The EGNP meets the permit requirements of the Incidental Take Permit Numbers 16230 and 18102 from the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) under Section 10 of the Endangered Species Act.

Who Issues This Permit? N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF), License and Statistics Section.

How Much Will This Permit Cost and Who Do I make the Check Payable to? No cost.

Where Can I Get The Application For This Permit? Contact any N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries License Office or on the DMF website. Visit the following link for license sales locations: http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/dmf-offices.

How Long Will It Take To Review My Application? No review required.

**Where Do I Submit My Application?** Any N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries License Office or via mail. Visit the following link for license sales locations: <a href="http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/dmf-offices">http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/dmf-offices</a>.

How Long Is My Permit or License or Certificate Valid? Permits are valid up to one year and expire on June 30.

**Notes/Comments:** Contact NCDMF License staff at the Morehead City office for details and reporting requirements.

**Legal Authority/Statute Reference:** General Statute 113-169.1 and 113-169.3, North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission Rules 15A NCAC 03O .0501 and 03O .0503, and 03O .0506. See also Proclamation M-24-2014.

Link: <a href="http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/marine-fisheries">http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/marine-fisheries</a>

## **Statewide Contact Information:**

NC Division of Marine Fisheries License and Statistics Section 3441 Arendell Street Morehead City, NC 28557

Telephone: (252) 726-7021 or 1-800-682-2632

NC DEQ Permit Directory			